

CLAIMS

290 What is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is:

1. A novelty confectionary device comprising in combination:

- a casing having an upper end and a lower end;
- an opening in the upper end;
- the opening in the upper end having a pre-selected size and configuration;
- 5 – an opening in the lower end;
- the opening in the lower end having a pre-determined size and configuration;
- the pre-selected size and configuration fitting into, and passing through the opening of the pre-determined size and configuration;
- 10 – the casing having an opening of the pre-determined size and configuration extending from the opening in the lower end to the opening in the upper end;
- a plurality of individually consumable candy modules carried in the casing;
- each of the candy modules including a base;
- 15 – the base having an outer periphery generally fitting into, and passing through the opening of the pre-determined size and configuration of the lower end, and the casing;
- the base being of a fixed overall size and configuration not fitting entirely into a standard choke gauge;
- 20 – the base having an upper section and a lower section;

- each of the candy modules including an entirely consumable candy piece mounted on the upper section of a respective base; and
 - the candy piece having an outer periphery generally fitting into, and passing through the opening of the pre-selected size and configuration of the upper end.
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2. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the upper section of the base includes an anchoring component for the candy piece.
 3. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 2 in which the anchoring component is integrally formed as part of the base.
 - 5 4. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 2 in which the anchoring component comprises a post.
 5. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 4 in which the post is elongated along an axis and has at least one transverse, external, enlarged projection.
 6. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 4 in which the post is elongated along an axis and has at least one axially extending, external rib along at part of the elongated post.
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 7. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 including a removable cap that fits over the upper end of the casing and covers any exposed portion of a candy piece.
 8. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 7 in which the casing and the cap are configured for the cap to be frictionally engaged about the upper end of the casing.
 9. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 7 in which the cap is made of a translucent or transparent plastic.

- 5 10. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the casing is made of a translucent or transparent plastic.
11. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the upper section of the base tapers upwardly to a smaller size.
12. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which:
- 10 – the lower section of the base has a bottom;
- a cavity extends upwardly from the bottom of the lower section of the base into the base; and
- at least a portion of the candy piece of another candy module is nestable in the cavity.
- 15 13. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 12 in which candy modules are nestable, and frictionally engage each other, to form a connected stack of candy modules.
14. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the casing has a length, and has at least one rib extending into the opening of the casing along at some of
- 20 the length of casing.
15. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the pre-selected configuration and the pre-determined configuration are circular.
16. The novelty confectionary device of Claim 1 in which the pre-selected size and configuration are the same as the pre-determined size and configuration.